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SUBJECT: ROC REQUEST FOR LOS ANGELES TRADE CENTER

REF: STATE 161169

1. IN RESPONSE TO INFORMAL ROC REQUEST TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL OFFICIAL TRADE CENTER IN LOS ANGELES (REFTEL), DEPARTMENT OFFICER TOLD ROC ECONOMIC MINISTER MARTIN WONG AUGUST 1 THAT USG WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE ABLE TO APPROVE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW TRADE CENTER. DEPTOFF EXPLAINED THAT USG CONSIDERS ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW TRADE OFFICE AS COMPARABLE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDITIONAL CONSULATES AND, AS WE EXPLAINED TO ROC LAST DECEMBER, WE UNABLE TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL CONSULATES. DEPTOFF NOTED IN PASSING THAT, IN ANY EVENT, TRADE OFFICERS WOULD ENJOY NO PRIVILEGES OR IMMUNITIES.

2. AFTER EXPRESSING HOPE THAT ROC WOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE THESE TRADE, INVESTMENT AND TOURISM FUNCTIONS OUT OF ITS LOS ANGELES CONSULATE GENERAL, DEPTOFF STATED WE
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WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ROC ASSIGNMENT OF ADDITIONAL

OFFICERS TO LOS ANGELES CONGEN FOR THESE PURPOSES. THESE
OFFICERS WOULD, OF COURSE, BE ENTITLED TO CONSULAR PRIVI-
LEGES AND IMMUNITIES WITHIN THE CONSULAR DISTRICT. KISSINGER

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